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DIARY NOTES FOR COLONEL WHITE

A-DD/S *HW*

Monday, 12 August 1963

1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning there were no items of interest to the DD/S. Mr. McCone was back from his ten-day vacation looking well and relaxed.

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2. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] son of the District Commissioner, had declined our offer of a GS-9 since he wanted at least \$9,000, which is a GS-10, Step 8. His case has been referred back to OSI for a second look.

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3. I talked with [REDACTED] about the [REDACTED] Larry Houston wanted to civilianize him from the JOT program at GS-11, Step 4. John was quite firm that [REDACTED] was worth this salary in spite of the objections of the Office of Personnel. (I sent the file back to Emmett Echols and asked him to get in touch with John to see if there were any factors we weren't aware of.)

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4. John Bross called to ask about our Agency position toward the demonstration to be held in Washington on 28 August. He said that [REDACTED] wanted to incur a lot of overtime in order to get the paychecks that are due on Friday, 30 August, out to our people on Tuesday, 27 August. I couldn't see any reason for doing this and thought it would do more harm than good through dramatizing our concern about being temporarily put out of business by the demonstration. I told John about the Civil Service Commission's ruling on granting annual leave for that day and he agreed he would get back to [REDACTED] and ask a "few practical questions." He will let me know if any change seems desirable.

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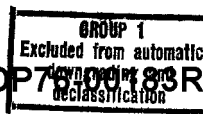
5. John Tietjen sent up a large scrapbook in which he had collected a lot of outside unclassified information concerning biomedical electronics. I scanned it briefly and passed it on to [REDACTED] at John's request. Os will tell General Carter he has it and that it's available if he's interested and then will pass it on to Bud Wheelon who has the project and is now Chairman of the R&D Board. John wants to show how much is being done in this field which we should latch onto for our own peculiar uses.

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6. About noon [REDACTED] called to say that the Director's air-conditioning was now so quiet that he could clearly hear the secretaries' voices from the other rooms and worst of all, there were "mysterious voices" emanating from the equipment.

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The Director wasn't disturbed by the outside voices but was very worried that his own voice was going out over the same channel. [REDACTED] and I 25X1A9a ran a hurried test at lunch^{time} and as George suspected, these voices came from the sixth floor where the technical people were adjusting the air-conditioning units and were talking to each other beside the air ducts. We satisfied ourselves and assured Hank that we had not been able to, even by shouting, reverse the process. (George will check again later today on this problem.)

25X1A9a 7. I talked with [REDACTED] at some length about the DD/I's [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
25X1A9a [REDACTED] request for cutting a door in a masonry wall and moving an air intake vent for OSI. ^{then} I explained to Von that we wanted to be helpful if we could, but didn't really think these particular changes were necessary. (I asked him to send [REDACTED] back to [REDACTED] to try to work out a compromise solution.)

25X1A9a 8. [REDACTED] brought up a "personalized" letter for my signature to [REDACTED] 25X1A
25X1A9a extending his consultant contract. ^{Joe} had an alternate proposal which would have put
25X1A [REDACTED] on a one-year contract, but we decided to use the letter renewing his provisionally established indefinite contract.

9. I initialed and forwarded for DCI signature [REDACTED] reply 25X1A9a
to the Secretary of Defense regarding the implementation of the National Communications System under NSAM No. 252.

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25X1A8b 12. General Carter, in a Memo for the Record, stated inter alia that Matt Baird did a very fine job of briefing the [REDACTED] on CIA Counterinsurgency training on 8 August. Present, in addition to Mr. Baird and General Carter, were 25X1A9a
McGeorge Bundy, Roswell Gilpatric, Alexis Johnson and [REDACTED] General Carter stated, "Bundy indicated he would reassure the Attorney General and I do not think we will have any further problem as to outside ^{spec} instructions or overseeing of our training program."

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13. The Assistant Commandant of the Army Intelligence School wrote the Director a very fine letter of thanks for the visit of the Senior Officer Course to CIA on 22 July. Special mention was made of Messrs. [REDACTED] and the smoothness of all program arrangements.

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14. We received today the Office of Personnel Report on Appointee Travel for Fiscal Year 1963 (DD/S 63-3469). It reports that a total of \$105,396 was obligated to cover travel costs of 214 such appointees, and questions whether this special inducement is still necessary to attract economists at the A.B. level. There were 20 of the latter in FY 63, at a cost of \$10,300.

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